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In re application of

Susan LOVE et al.

Serial No.: 09/410,336

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For: Methods For Identification, Diagnosis,
And Treatment Of Breast Cancer



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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants respectfully request a one-month extension of time up to and including February 4, 2001, in the above referenced application. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge \$110.00, to cover the one-month extension fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-0733. In the event any variance exists between the authorized and the Patent Office charges, please charge any difference to our Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the restriction requirement of the outstanding Office Action mailed December 4, 2000, applicants elect, without traverse, to prosecute the invention of Group I, claims 1-16, drawn to a method of identifying the location of cancer within a breast and

determining lymph node involvement in patients with cancer.

Applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications to the inventions of non-elected Group 2-55 (Claims 17-22 and 29), Group 56-109 (Claims 23-29) and Group 110 (Claims 30-32), during the pendency of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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